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**SENATE CONCURRENT
RESOLUTION No. _____**

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A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION recognizing Bishop Kevin C.
Rhoades.

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Whereas, Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades was installed as the new bishop of the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend on January 13, 2010;

Whereas, Bishop Rhoades, who has been the bishop in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, his home state, for five years, replaces Bishop John D'Arcy, who headed the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend for more than 25 years;

Whereas, While serving as the bishop of the Diocese of Harrisburg, Bishop Rhoades developed a reputation as an accessible, personable, bridge-building leader;

Whereas, Bishop Rhoades possesses an advanced degree from the Pontifical Gregorian University in Rome and served seven years as rector of Mount St. Mary's Seminary in Emmitsburg, Maryland;

Whereas, The Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend is the home of five Catholic colleges or universities, making Bishop Rhoades' experience in higher education a tremendous asset;

Whereas, Bishop Rhoades is known for addressing conflict through dialogue, particularly in interfaith relations;

Whereas, Bishop Rhoades began his career in the Diocese of Harrisburg and became the youngest bishop in the country



when he was ordained at the age of 46 in 2004;

Whereas, Fluent in Spanish, he worked in Latino ministries and eventually became the pastor of St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church; and

Whereas, The faithful of the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend welcome Bishop Rhoades as their spiritual leader: Therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana, the House of Representatives concurring:

- 1 SECTION 1. That the Indiana General Assembly welcomes Bishop
- 2 Kevin C. Rhoades as bishop of the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend.
- 3 SECTION 2. That a copy of this resolution be transmitted by the
- 4 Secretary of the Senate to Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades, the Diocese of
- 5 Fort Wayne-South Bend, and the parishes of St. Vincent DePaul in Fort
- 6 Wayne, St. Pius X in Granger, Holy Cross in South Bend, St. John the
- 7 Baptist in Fort Wayne, and St. Mary of the Assumption in Avilla.

